(a) whether representations have been received to increase the speed of 7384/7383 Maharashtra Express running between Gaundia and Kolhapur under the Central Railway; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) and (b) Some representations, including from Shri Digvijay Khanvilkar, MLA, Maharashtra, have been received in this regard. The possibility of speeding up of 7383/7384 Maharashtra Express has been examined but not found feasible due to operational factors including reversals besides a large number of halts.

[English]

Recruitment in Delhi Police

4888. PROF. JITENDRA NATH DAS: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering to recruit persons from all over the country for the Delhi Police;

(b) whether the Delhi Police is recruting persons barring the Eastern and North Eastern States; and

(c) the steps to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

EMU Car Shed at Barddhaman

4889. SHRI BALAI CHANDRA RAY:
SHRI AJOY MUKHOPADHYAY:
DR. ASIM BALA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether from the operational point of view there is urgent need to have a EMU Car Shed at Barddhaman;

(b) whether in absence of such shed, EMU services were disturbed frequently; and

(c) the reaction of the Government to run EMU service from Barddhaman to Sealdah, Bandel, Howrah (both directions), Dankuni, Kharagpur, Barakar and Chittaranjan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) EMU/MEMU services already connect Barddhaman to Sealdah, Bandel, Howrah, Dankuni, Barakar. Provision of EMU services between Barddhaman and Kharagpur is not feasible due to operational constraints. Introduction of EMU services from Barddhaman to Chittaranjan is not feasible at present due to operational and resource constraints.

Industries in Dahanu

4890. SHRI CHINTAMAN WANAGA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any communications from Industries' Association in Thane District complaining about the ill-effects of the Government Circular dated 20 June, 1991 on the Industrial growth of the Dahanu; and

(b) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The action in the matter would need to be taken after the case pending in the Supreme Court has been disposed of.

Scientific Laboratories

4891. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to establish Scientific Laboratories for the Agriculture in every district headquarters of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of facilities proposed to be made available in these laboratories for the farmers;

(d) the manner in which the farmers are likely to be benefited by establishing these laboratories;

(e) the annual target fixed for establishing these laboratories; and

(f) the time by which these are likely to become operational?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) No, Sir. However the Government propose to establish Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) in each district of the country.

(b) Out of 503 rural districts, 252 districts have been covered by the Krishi Vigyan Kendras. Details are given in the attached statement.

(c) and (d) The aim of KVK is to help the farmers to adopt the latest agricultural technology through skill based training, on-farm testing on crops, livestock, horticulture, fisheries etc., frontline demonstrations, and

other extension activities. The KVK also conducts in-service training for the extension personnel to update their knowledge.

(e) and (f) The annual target and the time will depend on the availability of additional funds for which the Planning Commission has already been approached.

STATEMENT

State-wise Number of Districts With Krishi Vigyan Kendras

S. No.	STATE	TOTAL DISTT.	DISTT WITH KVKs
1.	A & N Islands	02	01
2.	Andhra Pradesh	23	15
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	13	01
4.	Assam	23	05
5.	Bihar	52	18
6.	Dadar & Nagar Haveli	01	—
7.	Daman & Diu	02	—
8.	Delhi	01	01
9.	Goa	02	01
10.	Gujarat	19	10
11.	Haryana	16	12
12.	Himachal Pradesh	12	09
13.	Jammu & Kashmir	14	04
14.	Karnataka	19	10
15.	Kerala	14	09
16.	Lakshadweep	01	—
17.	Madhya Pradesh	45	19
18.	Maharashtra	30	22
19.	Manipur	08	01
20.	Meghalaya	07	01
21.	Mizoram	03	02
22.	Nagaland	07	01
23.	Orissa	30	12
24.	Pondicherry	04	02
25.	Punjab	14	09
26.	Rajasthan	30	30
27.	Sikkim	04	01
28.	Tamil Nadu	22	16
29.	Tripura	04	02
30.	Uttar Pradesh	65	30
31.	West Bengal	16	08
	TOTAL:	503	252

Coaches of Trains

4892. SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to increase the coaches of trains running from Calcutta to North Bengal and Assam and also to increase the frequency of the Howrah-Guwahati Express; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) and (b) Provision of additional facilities including new trains and coaches is a continuous process on Indian Railways subject to operational feasibility, resource availability and traffic justification. The frequency of 3045/3046 Howrah-Guwahati Saraighat Express is being increased from weekly to tri-weekly from October '96. There is however, no proposal at present to increase the coaches on trains from Calcutta to North Bengal.

Train Describer System

4893. SHRI TARIT BARAN TOPDAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Train Describer System was installed for management and control of the train operations in the New Delhi area;

(b) if so, the details of the date of commissioning, FOB cost of the system and percentage of time, the system has been used from date of commissioning indicating its usefulness;

(c) whether similar system has been installed at any other station; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Date of Commissioning: 27.3.1994

FOB Cost: Pound Sterling: 4352534

The system has been in operation since day of installation. The system has been useful for train working and dissemination of information to passengers.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Setting up of Human Rights Commissions at State Levels

4894. SHRI A.C. JOS: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state: